

**New Haven Board of Commissioners**  
**January 16, 2014**

The following were present:

Mayor Bob Johnson  
Freddy DeWitt  
Joe Grider  
Tim Bartley

Don Cecil  
Jeff Rogers  
Carla Goldsmith  
Linda Mattingly

Chris Cecil  
Kenny Fogle  
Corey Holbert

The meeting was called to order and the pledge was recited.

The Mayor welcomed the guests.

**Carla Goldsmith, Area Retail Operations Manager with Kentucky Utilities**, addressed the Commission concerning the City's franchise agreement with Kentucky Utilities. It is set to expire in June, 2014. Goldsmith reported that the franchise fee, currently 3%, would remain the same for the new agreement. In order to renew this agreement, certain requirements, per KRS Statutes 96.010, must be met. The first of these would be approving an Ordinance stating that the City wishes to provide for the sale of a new franchise for the benefit of its citizens. The clerk read Ordinance # 443 Series that sets out the requirements for executing the renewal of the Franchise Agreement. Second Reading will be held during the February meeting. Steps for the renewal of the Franchise include the following;  
An Ordinance stating that the City wishes to continue providing electrical service to its citizens.  
Publication of Ordinance after two readings.  
Publication of Notice of Sale of Franchise.  
Opening and accepting of bids received for Sale of Franchise.  
Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Franchise Agreement.  
Publication of Ordinance Granting the Franchise.

**Joe Grider, with HMB Engineers from Frankfort**, addressed the Commission concerning obtaining funds for sewer projects within the City. Two areas in particular were discussed. One was sewer rehab on East Center Street near the Dollar Store and sewer rehab near Kentucky Railway Museum. Freddy said that the water line replacement that is needed on West Center should be high priority. Grider informed the Commission that funding could possibly be obtained by applying for Community Development Block Grant monies for part of the money of the projects and applying for a loan with Rural Development for the remainder of funds needed. The Commission agreed that Jeff and Mayor should meet with Ashley Willoughby from Lincoln Trail to explore possibilities for funding.

**Old Business**

**Siren Poles**—Tim with check with KU concerning obtaining new poles.

**Holbert Zoning Issue**—Mayor Johnson reported that the process for settling this issue through the court system has begun.

**Big Blue Building**—Mayor Johnson reported that this building has been cleared of debris and trash left from previous owners. Nelson County Landfill donated two dumpsters to assist with the cleanup.

**Mark Head Alley**—Mayor Johnson reported that no new information relating to this issue is available at this time.

**Minutes December 19, 2013**—These were approved on motion of Jeff and second of Freddy.

**December Financials and January Bills**—These were approved on motion of Freddy and second of Chris.

**The Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant** for the City of New Haven Football Field Irrigation Project was not selected for funding.

**Bluegrass Pipeline**—Mayor Johnson said that he would like the City to voice an opinion on the Bluegrass Pipeline that is proposed for close proximity to the east side of the City limits. He personally was against the project. After discussion, all agreed with the Mayor. Jeff made a motion authorizing the clerk to write a letter to Kentucky Railway Museum stating the city's opposition. Don seconded. All voted in favor.

**2013 Firefighters Report**—Freddy presented the Commission with a report stating hours of training, responses along with a bill for the annual dinner. Don made a motion to approve the report along with payment due of \$1164.85. Chris seconded. All voted in favor except Freddy who abstained.

### **Water and Sewer Department**

**Ordinance 442 Series 2014**—The First Reading of this ordinance relating to meter tampering was read. The second reading will take place in February.

**Smoke Testing**—Most of those contacted have fixed the issues that were easy fixes such as clean out caps. The others are working on the issues that need to be addressed. More smoke testing will occur in the spring for problem areas.

Tim reported that one of the lift stations has impeller issues. The pumps will be pulled and checked to see what type of impellers is needed.

Chris asked for a report relating to 2013 delinquent water payments.

**Recreation Department**—No report.

**Street Department**—No report.

**Police Department**—Chris made a motion to purchase a new handheld radio for the Corey. Jeff seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The cost of the radio is \$600.

Freddy reported that Radio Communications has sent a bill for \$165 for siren repair. The bill was a trip charge, since they did not repair the siren.

**Adjournment**—Freddy made a motion to adjourn and Chris seconded. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

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Mayor

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Clerk